



Update Sunnyvale

News From Your City Manager

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2019 State of the City

Join us on Saturday, September 14, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Downtown Murphy Avenue to highlight all the great things happening in Sunnyvale. This year's theme is "Light, Love, Unity", celebrating Sunnyvale's vision of diversity and inclusion. The free event will feature a variety of fun and informational activities for the entire family:

- Live Entertainment on two stages
- Free activities in the Fun Zone
- The Mayor's State of the City Address and Community Awards Presentation
- Art Zone with a community chalk art and live mural demonstrations
- Community resource tables



Learn more about the [State of the City](#).

36th Annual National Night Out

On Tuesday, August 6, Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) and City staff fanned out across the city attending 22 neighborhood events for the 36th annual National Night Out. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug awareness; and strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. Events included a variety of activities including block parties, cookouts, face painting, live music and dessert socials. Teams were comprised of Neighborhood Resource Officers, K9 Officers, Fire Station crews, City Council members, City executive leaders and DPS Staff. For more information contact Lieutenant Jose Ramirez at joramirez@sunnyvale.ca.gov.



Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety Bike Rodeo

On Saturday, August 10, Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) held its second annual Bike Rodeo and Helmet Fitting Station in conjunction with Reach Potential's "Back to School Extravaganza". The event took place at the Gateway Neighborhood Center and provided families with food, backpacks, and bike and pedestrian safety education.

The DPS Bike Safety Rodeo component, sponsored by grant funding from the California State Office of Traffic Safety, included helmet fitting, helmet distribution, a bike/pedestrian interactive traffic safety activity, bike inspections, minor bike repairs and a bike blender. Neighborhood Resource Officers interacted with participants, provided safety information and assisted with the various stations. Sunnyvale Bicycle Patrol Officers spoke to participants about the importance of bike safety. The event served more than 250 students. For more information please contact Lieutenant Jose Ramirez at Joramirez@sunnyvale.ca.gov.



Closing the Curtain on the Sunset Movie Series

The City of Sunnyvale hosted the Sunset Movie Series at Columbia Park this summer, with an average of 300 people attending each night. Look for us again next summer at Columbia Park!



DPS Promotes Pedestrian Safety

Education and enforcement are two powerful tools in ensuring pedestrian safety. Drivers and pedestrians both share the responsibility of keeping themselves and others safe. The Department of Public Safety assists in these efforts with educational reminders about pedestrian and driver safety on social media channels and through special grant funded educational programs. Public Safety has also deployed additional resources during the peak commute hours to focus on traffic enforcement.



The Traffic Safety Unit, with grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety, has partnered with the Sunnyvale Senior Center to develop a pilot program to inform older adults about strategies for Pedestrian Safety. This program provides valuable information and practical skills to keep older adults safe while walking through the City of Sunnyvale. The program has had four sessions since October 2018, with each session having 21-25 attendees. Feedback from the program has been very positive, and the Traffic Safety Unit believes there has also been a positive impact on the community.



For additional information on any of the mentioned activities, contact Lieutenant Tracy Hern in the Traffic Safety Unit at 408-730-7109.

Sunnyvale Public Library at the Silicon Valley Pride Parade



Sunnyvale Public Library and Mayor Larry Klein marched alongside 150 organizations in the Silicon Valley Pride Parade on Sunday, August 25. With September being National Library Card Sign-up Month, Sunnyvale took the opportunity to remind the community that libraries welcome everyone. Snaking through the streets of downtown San José, the parade boasted other area libraries, tech giants, and the San Jose Sharks. During the parade route, bystanders shouted “I love the Library!” and “The Library rocks!” Learn more about [how to get a Library Card](#).

Eichler Window Replacement Policy

The Community Development Department developed a new Eichler Window Replacement Policy to accommodate the unusual construction methods used in the design of these homes. Windows (and sliding glass doors) replaced 'like-for-like' are eligible for the new policy. Changes to window sizes or types require Planning Division approval.

New windows must be permitted and:

- Installed per manufacturer's instructions;
- Have a maximum U-factor of 0.40;
- Have a maximum Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) of 0.35;
- Be tempered when necessary (check with Building Division); and
- Provide Carbon Monoxide and Smoke Detectors in the house.



For more information, please see the [Eichler Window Replacement requirements document on the City website](#) or contact the Building Division at 408-730-7444.

Library Innovation Lab: Exploring New Ways of Engaging California's Immigrant Communities

The Sunnyvale Public Library was selected to participate in the "Library Innovation Lab," a two-year initiative that provides training to a cohort of librarians and a \$5,000 grant to each agency to design and implement new strategies for engaging immigrant communities. For the project, the Library will host a Diwali Festival and two Day of the Dead Programs, including a bilingual (Spanish/English) event in North Sunnyvale. The programs will provide background information about the holidays and will be celebrated through food, arts/crafts, activities, and special performances. The goal is to engage the largest community groups in Sunnyvale, the Latino community for Day of the Dead and the Middle Eastern community for the Diwali Festival as well as the broader Sunnyvale community. We will all enjoy an opportunity to learn, understand and increase awareness about the two holidays. All ages are welcome.

The Day of the Dead festivities will take place on Wednesday, October 16, 2019; 5-6 p.m. at the Sunnyvale Public Library and Wednesday, October 23, 2019 in North Sunnyvale (location TBD). The Diwali Festival will take place on Saturday, October 19, 2019; 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Orchard Pavilion in the Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. For additional information, contact the Library reference desk at 408-730-7300.

NOVA Workforce Review Released for August

On a monthly basis, NOVA produces a [Workforce Review](#) report that aggregates data from the recently released [State jobs report](#) for the NOVA eight-jurisdiction consortium. The August edition includes the article titled, “Independent contractors or employees? California bill could alter state’s gig economy.” That describes Assembly Bill 5 (L. Gonzalez) that would require app-based businesses, which are pivotal to the Gig economy, to treat their hired workers as employees. The result is that companies, such as Uber, Lyft and Amazon, would be required to pay the cost of benefits for their employees, who would lose their independence but gain certain rights and protections.



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Public Meeting for New Park Design

Wednesday, September 11 at 7 p.m. at the Fair Oaks Park building (540 N. Fair Oaks Ave.), the Sunnyvale Parks Department will be hosting a public outreach meeting to gather community input regarding the design of a new City park. As part of a new residential development owned by the Irvine Company, a new 6.5 acre park will be constructed and conveyed to the City. The park will be located at the site of the old AMD headquarters at E. Duane Avenue and Steward Drive. Public input will drive the design. Based on the size of the park, it could contain features such as picnic tables, dog park, playground, tennis/pickleball courts, restrooms and exercise equipment.